

Wyoming Department of Health

Title V Maternal and Child Health Block Grant and the Parent Leadership Training Institute: Community Partnerships for Success

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Never doubt that a small group of
thoughtful, committed citizens can
change the world; indeed, it's the only
thing that ever has.

Margaret Mead

What is Parent Leadership?

**The capacity to
interact within
civic society with
purpose and
positive outcomes
for children.**



What is PLTI?



The PLTI teaches parents and others, who want to improve the lifelong health, safety, and learning of children, how to become change agents for the next generation.

PLTI is not . . .

- ☐ A social welfare program
- ☐ A single issue training ground
- ☐ Partisan
- ☐ A course in parenting skills

PLTI Initiative

Teaches parents who individually apply and are selected to:

- ☐ Work with diversity
- ☐ Define needs
- ☐ Assess and define problems
- ☐ Utilize the media
- ☐ Collect, use, and understand the value and uses of data
- ☐ Evaluate a program by process and outcomes
- ☐ Become familiar with law on local, state, and federal levels
- ☐ Utilize strategic planning for action

MISSION



The Parent Leadership Training Institute seeks to enable parents to become leading advocates for children.

The PLTI Cornerstones are : Respect, validation, and a belief that when the tools of democracy are understood, the public will re-enter civic life.

PLTI Goals

- ☐ Leaders for children
- ☐ Parents as change agents
- ☐ Supportive communities
- ☐ Parental input into community efforts
- ☐ Systems change for parental involvement

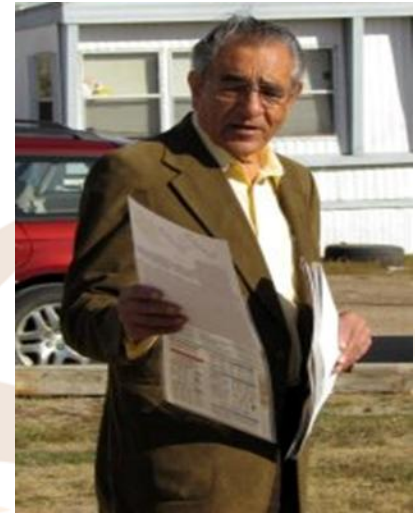


PLTI Values

- ☐ Relational
- ☐ Builds community
- ☐ Focus on content and process
- ☐ Intergenerational
- ☐ Creates a pyramid
- ☐ Parent-based
- ☐ On-going training



PLTI Community Project



Wyoming PLTI Outcomes

- **61.5%** increased their frequency of **resolving problems** in their **community**
- **61.5%** increased their confidence in their **ability** to help their **community grow**
- **76.9%** improved their confidence in making sure **professionals understand their opinion** about what their **community needs**

Wyoming PLTI Outcomes

- **69.2%** increased their frequency of **working with budgets**
- **53.8%** increased their frequency of practicing **conflict resolution skills**
- **76.9%** improved their understanding of **how service systems** for their community **are organized**

Wyoming PLTI Outcomes

- **69.2%** improved their knowledge/confidence of **what to do when a problem arises** in their community
- **61.5%** increased their **communication/contact with their elected officials** when important bills or issues about their community are pending
- **69.2%** improved their understanding of **how public policy affects their community**

Wyoming Community Projects

57% Health and Safety related

22% School Involvement and Literacy

21% Social and Community Support

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Graduation at the Wyoming State Capitol



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100 YEARS AGO OUR GRANDPARENTS



WERE TAKEN AWAY FROM THEIR FAMILIES
WERE PUNISHED FOR SPEAKING THEIR LANGUAGE
NO RELATIVE WAS THERE OR ABLE TO SPEAK UP FOR THEM.

HISTORY WILL NEVER BE REPEATED.



Today you have
the **POWER** to
be an *advocate* for
our children.

**RECLAIM YOUR
VOICE**

PARENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Communities, Parents, and Children as Beneficiaries

Commit to your health.

- ☐ **Parents get involved in policies affecting their community**
- ☐ **Engaged consumers = more efficient and effective MCH services**
- ☐ **Parents step into leadership positions to improve their community and MCH services**
- ☐ **Public Health and MCH is better understood by the public**
- ☐ **Health equity is understood and improving**



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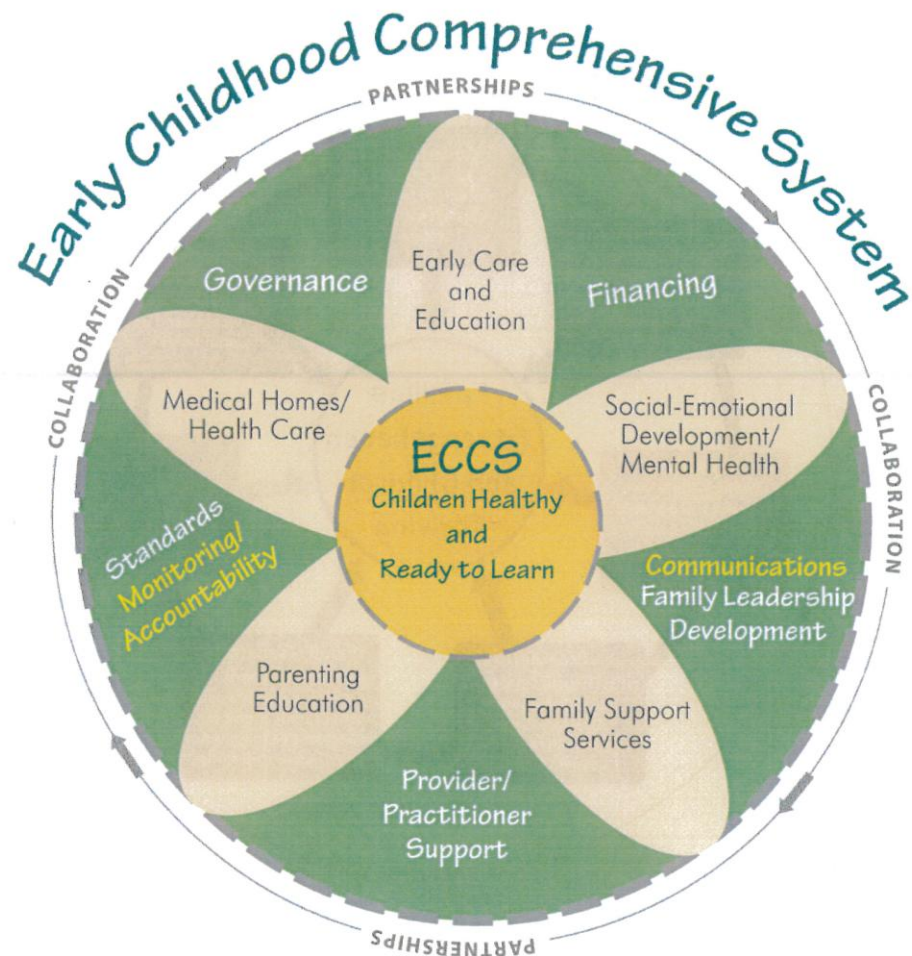
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